



# Media Information

Columbus Division of Police  
Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: Update: Dec. 4, 2022

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Type of Offense/Incident: Shooting - Homicide-HOM2022-0131 Date: December 3, 2022 Time: 9:09PM

Location of Offense/Incident: 7500 Block of Stone Lake Drive Zone: 1 Precinct: 17

Incident Report #: 220883608

Cruiser District: 170

Victim: Thomas Hritzo III	Sex: Male	Race: White	Age: 18
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**Incident Summary: \*\*\*Update Dec. 4, 2022: The victim, Thomas Hritzo III, succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at 2:07pm. Next of Kin notification was completed. HOM2022-0131\*\*\***  
On December 3, 2022, at 9:09PM, Patrol Officers responded to an injury accident in the area of Sawmill Rd. and Stone Lake Drive. Upon arrival, Officers located the victim, who was unresponsive inside of his vehicle. Columbus Fire Medics transported the victim to a local area Hospital in critical condition. Medical Staff were able to determine that the victim was suffering from a gunshot wound, and would likely not survive his injuries. Homicide investigators are still attempting to identify the victim and determine the circumstances surrounding this incident. The victim's identity will be released upon confirming his identity and completing the next of kin notification.

This incident remains under investigation.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call the Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Detective Conley is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Journey.

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